

Appl. No.: 10/825,491

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REMARKS:

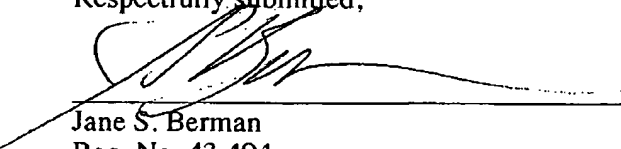
In response to the restriction requirement, Applicant hereby elects without traverse to prosecute **Group I, claims 1, 2, 5 and 6.**

In the amendment above, the non-elected Group II claims, namely claims 3, 4, 7 and 8, have been cancelled in view of the election set forth above. No other amendments are made herein. Applicant is concurrently filing a divisional application covering the non-elected Group II claims.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for prompt allowance and that all of the objections, rejections and requirements raised in the Office action have been met. Early, favorable treatment of this application is requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees, or credit any overpayment, associated with this communication, including fees for any necessary extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a) for filing this communication, which extension is hereby requested, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0305 of Chapman and Cutler LLP. The Examiner is encouraged to call Robert J. Schneider at the direct number (312) 845-3919 with any questions that arise in connection with this application, or to resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,



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